



**HEADQUARTERS ILLINOIS WING  
CIVIL AIR PATROL**  
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE AUXILIARY  
DuPage County Airport  
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## *Operations Newsletter*

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### **Upcoming Activities**

#### **Mission Pilot Flight Clinic**

In an effort to build our Mission Pilot Ranks and provide training to Units at locations without MP SETs and Mission Check Pilots the Illinois Wing is holding a Mission Pilot Flight Clinic. A classroom portion will be held 14 May at Wing HQ. Flights will begin after to accomplish tasks and prepare the pilots for their Form 91 Check Ride. We have approximately 7 pilots who qualify for the training all across the Wing. By adding these pilots, we will make great strides in achieving our goal of 5 Mission Pilots per airframe. This will also play into the amount of training funds the Wing receives each year.

#### **Annual DR Bivouac is Approaching**

The annual DR Bivouac will be held this year at the Dacy Airport in Harvard, IL from 10-12 June. This is a great opportunity to practice remote base operations, soft field landings, all while camping on the field. A sign up message will be going out soon. The main period of operations will be Saturday with some finish up on Sunday Morning.

#### **Flight Academies**

Each year the Illinois Wing supports the Illinois Wing's Johnson flight academy at the Coles County airport. This year the event will take place from 10-24 June. Four of our 172s will be sent this year to support the Academy. The week following this, the Regional Glider Academy will take place. This will only require our two 172 Tow ships.

Each year we support these events and I appreciate the sacrifice it takes. We try to balance our needs with the needs of these events. Please be patient as our aircraft are deployed.

The National Emergency Services Academy also takes assets. The dates have changed this year to 9-23 July. I'm still working on the aircraft deployment plan. We need to balance supporting this event with our operational needs. The plan, once set it will be sent out to Commanders and Pilots for their planning purposes.

#### **Cavalcade of Planes**

The annual Cavalcade of Planes is on again this year at the Clow International airport in Bolingbrook, IL. With the new runway operational this will be an exciting event for pilots and aviation enthusiasts.

This year the event will take place 4-5 June. We have a non-funded mission number to support the event. This gives our members coverage and also the opportunity to train in ES tasks as applicable.

## ICS Training Opportunities

Course: **ICS-300 (Intermediate Incident Command for Expanding Incidents)**

Course: Dates: 09-10 May 2016

Location: J.C. Restoration, Inc. 3200 Squibb Avenue Rolling Meadows, IL 60008

Prerequisite Courses: A copy of your certificates will be required at the start of class.

IS- 700 – NIMS, An Introduction

ICS – 100 – Introduction to ICS

ICS – 200 – Basic ICS

Course: **ICS-400 (Advanced Incident Command, Command & General Staff-Complex Incident)**

Dates: 16-17 May 2016

Location: J.C. Restoration, Inc. 3200 Squibb Avenue Rolling Meadows, IL 60008

Prerequisite Courses: A copy of your certificates will be required at the start of class.

IS- 700 – NIMS, An Introduction

ICS – 100 – Introduction to ICS

ICS – 200 – Basic ICS

ICS -- 300 -- Intermediate ICS for Expanding Incidents

Additional course offered in Cook County. Check the box I respond in Cook County and the fee should be waived.

**ICS-300 (Intermediate Incident Command for Expanding Incidents)**

*April 12-13, 2016 (Broadview F.D. | Broadview, IL)*

**ICS-400 (Advanced Incident Command, Command & General Staff-Complex Incident)**

*April 19-20, 2016 (Broadview F.D. | Broadview, IL)*

**ICS-300 (Intermediate Incident Command for Expanding Incidents)**

*May 9-10, 2016 (JC Restoration | Rolling Meadows, IL)*

**ICS-400 (Advanced Incident Command, Command & General Staff-Complex Incident)**

*May 16-17, 2016 (JC Restoration | Rolling Meadows, IL)*

## Missouri Wing Invite for Training

The Missouri Wing Commander has extended an open invitation for personnel who would like to attend the Missouri Wing Pathfinder Technical School in July of 2016. According to the description by the MOWG/CC the course includes training on Ground Team Member tasks, Community Emergency Response Team (CERT), as well as wilderness survival and land navigation. According to the site the courses offered include GTM3, GTM2, and GTM1. Please see below and utilize the website to find out more information and how to sign up if you are interested in attending this school.

<http://pathfindertechschoo.com/>

## Operations News

### Groups to Participate in Wing Operations Meeting

Group Commanders, their ESO and Ops Officers will be participating in a monthly meeting, either in person or by teleconference. Our goal is to get subordinate units synchronized in the planning and execution of the Wing Training Plan. Needs of the Units will be better served by increasing our communication in a group setting. Groups have been doing a great job and this will also be an opportunity to share some best practices throughout the Wing.

## **NESA Scholarships Available**

National Emergency Services Academy (NESA) will take place this year at Camp Atterbury, Indiana from 10 July 2016 to 23 July 2016 - two one-week sessions.

I've spoken with the deputy director and there are still quite a few kitchen scholarships available. This program allows students (cadet or senior) to earn a free one-week course, in exchange for working one week in the kitchen.

This is an outstanding opportunity to receive excellent emergency services training for **FREE**, *in exchange* for your help feeding our hundreds of participants. Personnel applying soon have a very high likelihood of approval due to the number of unfilled slots so please apply soon if you want to take advantage of this opportunity.

Please go to the NESA website: <http://nesa.cap.gov> for more information on NESA and how to apply for the activity and scholarship.

## **Illinois Wing Fly Out**

The international flying club recently had a fly out dinner. I mentioned to Capt Brown this would be fun to do with CAP, and he agreed. We will be planning one of these in the near future. These events are self-funded but can be a great opportunity to showcase CAP. The Decatur airport has a restaurant right on the field and it is centrally located in the State. I think a breakfast would be the right meal to shoot for (or brunch). Look for information coming soon.

## **Interim Change to 60-1**

CAPR 60-1 is currently under revision. NHQ has sent out a message changing some of the procedures for flight release. IFR flight release will be no more than 2 hours from take-off and a minimum ceiling of 500 feet and 1 mile visibility are required for the flight to proceed.

## **Pre-flight Reminder**

Please ensure a thorough pre-flight is done. Note any damage. If you fly and have a hard landing or tail low, please report this. It is better to report than be discovered by the next pilot. We've had a couple of tail strikes go unreported. POCs please check the aircraft at least weekly for any damage. Thank you all and fly safe.